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TIMBER CUTTINGS, JANUARY-NOVEMBER, 1968

Sawlog cuttings for the first eleven months of 1968 totaled 982,609,000 board feet. This volume amounts to an increase of 7 percent over the like period in 1967 and 24 percent more than the 1962-66 average cut.

Pulpwood harvest through November came to 2,095,905 cords, up 17 percent over last year and 20 percent higher than the previous five-year average.

MARKET SUMMARY, FOURTH QUARTER, 1968

SAWLOGS: All areas reporting pine prices showed some increase over the previous quarter making the state average run \$2.00 higher at stumpage and \$3.00 higher at plant. Compared with year ago prices, stumpage ran almost \$6.00 higher and delivered prices about \$7.00 more on the average.

For hardwoods, stumpage prices were about unchanged to \$2.00 higher compared with the third quarter of 1968 and \$2.00-5.00 above averages of last year at this time. Plant prices for hardwoods followed the same general trend as stumpage.

POLES: Barky pole prices showed no general changes from the previous quarter's averages although some classes of sixties, seventies and seventy-fives were down from both last quarter and year ago averages by as much as \$1.00-3.50 each.

PULPWOOD: F.O.B. car prices for both pine and hardwood are up slightly from the previous quarter but have made sizeable advances over last year's averages. Stumpage prices, while some higher, have shown less gains.

WOOD CHIPS: Pine chips, F.O.B. sawmill, were priced at \$7.00-7.10 with most reports at \$7.10 per ton. Most oak chips were reported at \$6.30 and \$7.00 per ton. Other hardwood chips were priced in line with pine.

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AVERAGE PRICES PAID TO LOUISIANA TIMBER PRODUCERS BY TYPES OF INDUSTRIES, OCT.-DEC., 1968  
WITH COMPARISONS

AREA						STATE AVERAGE			
						Oct.-Dec. 1968	Previous Quarter	Same Period Year Ago	
1.	(A)	SAWLOGS (Stumpage)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)
		Pine M.Bd.Ft.	45.90	---	41.95	43.45	---	43.80	41.70 37.90
		Cypress "	25.00	30.00	20.00	---	21.35	24.05	23.30 20.00
		Red Oak "	20.00	26.40	20.15	---	19.25	20.90	19.50 17.55
		White Oak "	20.00	25.00	20.00	---	16.00	19.45	18.75 16.40
		Sweet Gum "	19.75	27.60	19.65	---	19.00	20.95	19.80 18.50
		Tupelo Gum "	22.15	28.75	20.00	---	21.25	22.50	21.40 20.10
		Black Gum "	19.00	---	20.75	---	19.85	19.30	19.10 17.70
		Willow "	---	25.75	19.35	---	23.10	23.05	20.90 18.95
		Ash "	25.00	35.40	21.75	---	25.80	27.20	24.90 23.50
		Cottonwood "	---	32.50	21.00	---	23.80	25.55	22.85 20.05
		Mixed Hardwoods"	---	---	17.65	---	22.80	21.25	20.00 16.95
	(B)	SAWLOGS - (Delivered to Mill) -							
		Pine "	69.55	---	65.25	65.60	---	66.90	63.75 59.65
		Cypress "	53.00	58.75	51.65	52.65	50.50	53.15	52.90 51.65
		Red Oak "	47.50	53.85	47.80	51.65	48.75	49.30	47.55 45.40
		White Oak "	46.55	46.25	47.50	51.00	42.00	45.95	45.65 44.80
		Sweet Gum "	47.50	56.25	47.50	51.00	47.25	49.40	48.05 48.25
		Tupelo Gum "	50.40	57.00	49.10	56.10	50.25	52.00	51.65 51.40
		Black Gum "	49.50	47.50	49.40	51.00	45.85	48.35	48.70 46.05
		Willow "	---	56.00	50.00	50.00	48.20	50.95	51.00 48.60
		Ash "	54.15	64.90	53.50	54.15	55.55	56.75	54.50 55.50
		Cottonwood "	---	63.00	53.35	50.00	51.05	54.60	53.25 50.40
		Mixed Hardwoods"	---	53.10	48.35	50.00	49.25	50.15	49.05 44.60
2.	POLES, BARKY - FOB PLANT OR CONCENTRATION POINT - Each -								
		30-FT.							
		CLASS 5.	3.40	---	3.40	---	---	3.40	3.45 3.60
		6.	3.00	---	3.05	---	---	3.00	3.05 3.20
		7.	2.35	---	2.40	---	---	2.40	2.55 2.55
		35-FT.							
		CLASS 4.	7.35	---	7.00	---	---	7.10	7.05 7.90
		5.	6.85	---	6.70	---	---	6.75	6.65 7.00
		6.	4.40	---	4.45	---	---	4.45	4.45 4.55
		7.	3.10	---	3.00	---	---	3.05	3.05 3.00
		40-FT.							
		CLASS 4.	9.90	---	9.80	---	---	9.85	10.00 10.20
		5.	8.40	---	8.60	---	---	8.55	8.70 8.95
		6.	6.65	---	6.55	---	---	6.60	6.65 6.55
		45-FT.							
		CLASS 3.	12.15	---	12.15	---	---	12.15	12.15 12.20
		4.	11.00	---	11.00	---	---	11.00	11.00 11.30
		5.	9.65	---	9.60	---	---	9.60	9.90 9.50
		50-FT.							
		CLASS 2.	16.50	---	17.00	---	---	16.85	16.60 16.15
		3.	14.35	---	15.00	---	---	14.75	14.50 14.60
		4.	12.85	---	13.20	---	---	13.05	13.00 13.30
		55-FT.							
		CLASS 2.	21.75	---	23.60	---	---	23.00	23.60 23.60
		3.	18.65	---	20.30	---	---	19.70	19.50 20.55
		4.	17.00	---	17.00	---	---	17.00	16.75 16.60
		60-FT.							
		CLASS 2.	31.00	---	33.00	---	---	32.25	33.60 33.75
		3.	29.00	---	30.40	---	---	29.90	30.10 29.75
		65-FT.							
		CLASS 2.	43.35	---	44.00	---	---	43.75	43.50 43.55
		3.	40.65	---	40.40	---	---	40.50	40.25 40.00
		70-FT.							
		CLASS 2.	50.50	---	53.00	---	---	52.15	52.75 54.15
		3.	47.50	---	49.25	---	---	48.65	48.60 50.55
		75-FT.							
		CLASS 2.	61.00	---	64.25	---	---	63.15	63.90 66.00
		3.	54.50	---	56.95	---	---	56.15	57.20 59.70
3.	PULPWOOD - (Cord) -								
		Pine (Stumpg.)	5.00	5.00	4.65	4.25	---	4.80	4.50 4.45
		Pine (FOB Car)	17.80	17.65	17.80	17.75	17.85	17.75	17.25 16.50
		Hardwood (Stumpg.)	2.15	2.00	1.95	1.75	---	2.00	1.80 1.80
		Hardwood (FOB Car)	17.60	17.50	17.60	17.60	17.65	17.60	16.80 14.85

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